--- 1/14th Pound - "Series of 1915" - 155 x 15 mm. - scanned at 100% scale ---

The catalogue lists the 155 x 15 mm. black, 1/14th pound "Series of 1915" strip as follows:

RP-740 - 1/14th pound, coarse roulette, with ***4½ mm. violet control numbers***
RP-741 - 1/14th pound, *imperforate*, with ***4½ mm. violet control numbers***
RP-742 - 1/14th pound, *imperforate*, with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers***

--- RP-740 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. violet controls* - ***undated*** "Inland Revenue Department" company codes ---

The first listed *dated* example of the 1/14th pound "Series of 1915", using ***violet control numbering*** comes from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in June 1915. The last listed use, also by "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, is from October 1920.

RP-740 - 1/14th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **2465953**
Coded **6-17 / TOBACCO / 10, 1920** by "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in October 1920

--- Undated roller cancellations ---

0799212	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **TOBACCO / 7-8**
1237226 ★	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **TOBACCO / 7-8**, on a pouch of **Golden Leaf - CUT PLUG**, by "B. Houde", unpriced
3324533 ★	RP-740 **	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **TOBACCO / 6-8**, by "Rock City", **LONG TOM - SMOKING TOBACCO** - unpriced
4270823	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **TOBACCO / 6-12**
4273486	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **TOBACCO / 6-12**
4992809	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **TOBACCO / 18-17**
6286084	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **TOBACCO / 6-8**

--- Dated company cancellations ---

2027144	06/15	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-17 / TOBACCO / 6, 1915**
2196949	03/18	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-17 / TOBACCO / 3, 1918**
2371643	03/18	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-17 / TOBACCO / 3, 1918**
2371667	03/18	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-17 / TOBACCO / 3, 1918**
2795391	03/18	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-17 / TOBACCO / 3, 1918**
1548406	02/20	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-17 / TOBACCO / 2 1920**
2465953 ★	10/20	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-17 / TOBACCO / 10 1920**

There are at least two control number runs of 10,000,000 strips in the above listing.

--- RP-740 - *coarse roulette* - 4½ mm. *purple controls* - Undated "Customs and Excise" company codes ---

--- (post November 1921) ---

0255208	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **3-13-D**
0255209	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **3-13-D**
0255210	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **3-13-D**
0440887	RP-740	1/14th pound, coarse roulette, coded **TOBACCO / 1 / 18-E**

--- RP-741 - 1/14th pound - *imperforate* - *4½ mm. violet controls* - 155 x 15 mm. ---

Fritz Angst records the ***imperforate*** 1/14th pound ***Specimen*** strip **RP-741** carrying seven zeroes in both the control and in the cancellation panel - *unlisted* by Lee Brandom. I do not have the copy to illustrate. The control numbers are in ***violet*** ink. Most of these seven zero specimens seem to carry a washed-out *bluish-purple* control number, which may have faded from purple under daylight conditions. These **0000000** strips were the original **Specimen** examples when the issue was introduced. Examples stamped ***Sample*** come from the time of the formation of CBN in 1923, and are found in the mid-control numbering of that date.

0000000	RP-741	1/14th pounds, imperforate, with seven zeroes in both panels

RP-740 - 1/14th pound, coarse roulette? with zeroes in both panels – copied from eBay on December 5th 2014

--- RP-742 - *imperforate* - 4½ mm. *blue controls* - "Customs and Excise" codes ---

The collection lists no *dated* examples of the ***imperforate*** 1/14th pound "Series of 1915". Since the earliest dated listing for the use of the 1/14th pound **Series "A"** strip is from December 1930, either the 1/14th pound size saw little use, or there are many missing examples.

The *coarse roulette* and the *imperforate* strips actually run in the same control sequence, and the separation is governed by the wishes of the manufacturer. In general, the early strips were separated by *coarse roulette*, and the *imperforate* variety (mainly used by "Macdonald Tobacco") was introduced as machine packaging developed.

The collection ***does not contain***, and I ***have not seen***, a copy of the 1/14th pound "Series of 1915" in ***coarse roulette*** using ***blue control numbering***. If this is extant, it would be **RP-741**, and is **WANTED!**

RP-742 - 1/14th pound, with *rounded ends*, imperforate, control **2958968**
Roller cancelled **1-10-D** by "W. C. Macdonald Tobacco", Montreal

2028905	RP-742	1/14th pounds, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
2415045	RP-742	1/14th pounds, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
2958968 ★	RP-742	1/14th pounds, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
6218252	RP-742	1/14th pounds, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**

The switch in company coding, e.g. from **6-17** to **6-10-D** occurred in November 1921, and thus the above strips must post-date this time.

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